

## 'WANTED REVENGE!' WIFE SOBS IN CELL, SO SUED 'FIANCE'

Woman Held for Perjury in  
Strange Breach of Promise  
Suit Tells Her Story.

That satiric Frenchman, Voltaire, many years ago, said that the only man who understood women was the one who confessed he knew nothing about them.

If that talented Frenchman had lived to this day and visited the Tomb with an Evening World reporter he would have been supplied with a modern verification of his sentiment. Evidently the weaker sex has changed little since the gallant days of Voltaire, for Mrs. Helen Cauley, the bronze-haired, blue-eyed trained nurse, who sued David A. Sherard, a wealthy truckman, for breach of promise, despite the fact she was cooking breakfast for her husband every morning, proved again to-day the utter complexity of a woman's reasoning.

Between flashes of deep resentment, when her blue eyes blazed fire, and moments of pathetic weakness, Mrs. Cauley, one minute avowing her love for her husband and the next saying she loved Sherard, told an Evening World reporter what caused her to prosecute a case which endangered her liberty ever since she swore to her first affidavit, and which ended dramatically in the Supreme Court yesterday, when her husband was produced by the defense.

"I wanted satisfaction," she said quietly, trying to arrange her disheveled mass of brown hair. "I had been wronged, and I wanted revenge. The thought that I was committing an unlawful act that would place me in a cell never crossed my mind. I didn't know I was committing perjury. I thought my action against Mr. Sherard was a proper one for a woman who had been wronged."

Here the nurse paused and for several minutes cried softly.

"Do you know where my husband is?" she asked. "I want to see him. I wonder whether or not he will forgive me."

"I always knew Mr. Sherard would never marry me. I often saw him and went out with him. I loved him from the first, when I nursed him in the French Hospital, in April, 1910. We were very good friends and he often asked me to marry him."

"The break between us came in February, 1911. He told me he was going to marry his sister-in-law."

"Did your husband know that you were interested in some one else?" she was asked.

"No, he never even suspected."

"She broke down again for a moment, but stifling her tears, resumed her narrative."

"My husband is a good man and a

religious man. Even now, after the wrong I have done him, I don't think he will sue me for a divorce."

"When I married my husband in 1902 in Pennsylvania I was only twenty-two years old. He was exactly the same age. We were very happy, especially after the birth of our daughter, who is now seven years old and in a boarding school. We came to New York when he was transferred to the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad."

"About 1908 I took up a course in trained nursing at the French Hospital. That was where I met Mr. Sherard. When I left the hospital after I became a graduate nurse I had a twenty-four hour case that kept me employed for several months. As I was never home during that time at night, having only a few hours' leave of absence a day, my husband never suspected I was intimate with another man."

"I didn't do wrong intentionally. It all happened with such terrible swiftness that I was like a woman living in another world. I loved my husband. I believe now that I have always loved him. My other love was rather a fascination that totally enveloped me and gave me another personality. I lived in a daze."

"When the break came between Mr. Sherard and myself I awoke to my position. It raised a strange resentment in my heart. I had suffered, and I didn't seem to realize that at least part of my folly was of my own making."



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"I realized I was telling an untruth when I swore my husband was dead, and I never intimated once to my attorney, Mr. Fullerton Wells, that every morning I was cooking his breakfast and looking after his comfort as every good wife should."

"I was obsessed with the idea that I had been wronged, and I wanted satisfaction. I am alone now, with not a friend in the world, unless my husband comes to me, and I have faith in him. Like a battered ship in a storm, I turn to him as the last port of refuge, and I have a wife's implicit faith, because he is the father of the girl I love better than life itself."

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